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QUINCY.—On Prince's venerable List of Subscribers, under the letter Q, we have "Quincy, The Hon. Edmund, of Braintree, Esq. Quincy, The Hon. John, of Braintree, Esq., Speaker of the Honourable House of Representatives."

[Through the kindness of Miss Quincy and Gen. Samuel Andrews, we are able to furnish the following sketch of the Quincy family, from original manuscripts:—]

Edmund Quincy of Wigsthorpe, Northamptonshire, m. Ann Palmer, Oct. 14, 1593. Their son Edmund was baptized May 30, 1602. He m. July 14, 1623, Judith Pares, and lived on his estate at Achurch, near Wigsthorpe. He here was living in 1627, when the following curious entry shows he had become a Puritan: "1627, Mch. 15, a child of Edmund Quincy baptized elsewhere and not in our parish church." The faulty state of the Public Records in this country prevent our tracing the family to an earlier date; but we note that the arms of Edmund Quincy are the same as those of De Quincy, second Earl of Winchester. There have always been families of gentry of this name in this county.

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Edmund and Judith Quincy came from England with Rev. John Cotton, and arrived in Boston, Sept. 4, 1633. He was freeman, 1634, deputy to the General Court, May 14, 1634, and received a grant of land at Mount Wollaston in 1635, where he died soon after, aged 33. Issue:

- Judith, b. 1626, m. 1647, John Hull, died June 22, 1695, leaving issue, Hannah, who m. Samuel Sewall.
- II. Edmund, b. 1627, m. first, Joanna Hoar, sister of Leonard Hoar, President of Harvard College; he d. 8 Jan. 1698. Children;
 - i. Daniel, b. 7 Feb. 1651.
 - ii. John, b. 1652.(?)
 - iii. Joanna, b. 5 April, 1652, m. David Hubbard.



- iv. Judith, b. 25 June, 1655, m. Rev. John Rayner, Jr., of Dover, and died 6 March, 1679.
- v. Elizabeth, b. 28 Sept. 1656, m. Rev. D. Gookin of Sherburne, and d. Nov. 1700.
- vi. Edmund, b. 9 July, 1657, d. 1661.
- vii. Ruth, b. 29 Oct. 1658, m. John Hunt, 9 Oct. 1686.
- viii. Experience, b. ---, m. W. Savil, of Braintree.

He m. secondly, 8 Dec. 1680, Elizabeth, daughter of Major General Gookin, who was the widow of Rev. John Eliot, and who d. Nov. 30, 1700. Children:

- ix. Edmund, b. at Braintree, 21 Oct. 1681.
- x. Mary, b. 1684, m. Rev. D. Baker of Sherburne, and died March 29, 1716.

Daniel Quincy, eldest son, m. Ann, dau. of Rev. Thomas Shephard, Nov. 8, 1682, and d. Aug. 10, 1690.* He had a son John, the Subscriber, who m. Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. John Norton of Hingham. He was b. 1689, was Speaker of the House, and was member of the council for forty years; he died 13 July, 1767. John Quincy had issue:—

- I. Norton Quincy, b. 27 Oct. 1716, d. 29 Sept. 1801, s. p.
- II. Elizabeth, of whom presently.
- III. Ann, m. T. Thaxter of Hingham.
- IV. Lucy, m. Cotton Tufts of Quincy.

Of these, Elizabeth m. Rev. Wm. Smith of Weymouth, and had a daughter, Abigail Smith, who married John Adams, afterwards President of the United States. Her other daughters were Mary, (b. Sept. 1741, and d. Oct. 17, 1811, who married Richard Cranch.) and Elizabeth, who married Rev. John Shaw, and secondly, Rev. S. Peabody.

To return to the line which has preserved the name.

Edmund Quincy, the Subscriber, younger son of Edmund Quincy, Jr., was born 29 October, 1681, H. C. 1699, Judge of the Supreme Court of the Province of Massachusetts, and agent at the Court of St. James. He died in London, 23 Feb. 1738, and was buried at Bunhill Field,

^{*} She became the second wife of the Rev. Moses Fiske. They were married 7 Jan. 1700, by Samuel Sewall, Esq. Mr. Fiske was minister of Braintree, and had had by a former wife (Sarah, dau. of Mr. William Symmes of Charlestown) fourteen children. By his second and last wife he had two children. She died 24 July, 1708, and her



London, where a monument was erected to him at the instance and charge of the Province, at the same time granting 1000 acres of land in Lenox to his heirs. His house in Braintree is still standing, in good preservation. He married Dorothy, daughter of Rev. Josiah Flynt of Dorchester, who died Aug. 29, 1737. Their children were :-

- Edmund, b. at Braintree, 1703.
- H. Elizabeth, m. John Wendell, 12 Nov. 1724.
- III. Josiah, of whom presently.
- IV. Dorothy, m. Edward Jackson, 7 Dec. 1738.

Edmund, the elder son, born 1703, H. C. 1722, died, 1788. He was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas. He married Elizabeth Wendell, 15 April, 1725, sister of the above named John Wendell. His issue was:

- 1. Catherine, b. 30 May, 1733, died unmarried.
- II. Edmund, b. 6 Feb. 1725-6, m. Miss Hurst, and had Edmund, and a daughter, who married Jacob Sheaf.
- III. Henry, b. 20 Jan. 1726-7, married, first, Mary Salter, and had:
 - i. Mary, who m. { 1, Dr. Stedman; 2, Wm. Donnison.
 - ii. Elizabeth, who m. Dr. Nath. Green.

And secondly, he married Eunice Newell, 31 Dec. 1759, by whom he had:

- iii. Eunice, m. M. De Valnais, and died at Paris.
- iv. Henry, m. Sarah Robbins.
- v. Nancy, died young.
- vi. Dorothy, m. { 1, Charles Clement; 2, Jabez Bullard.
- vii. Edmund, m. Elizabeth Jarvis.
- viii. Abraham, m. Elizabeth Murray Casey.
 - ix. William S., m. Sally Holland.
 - x. Nancy, m. Matthew S. Parker, and d. Dec. 5, 1852. issue:
 - 1. Charles H.
 - 2. John S.
 - 3. Sarah A., m. Gen. Samuel Andrews.
 - 4. Eben. F.

husband followed her in less than three weeks after. The names and dates of births of all Mr. Fiske's children will be found in Mr. Lunt's excellent Two Hundredth Anniversary Discourses at Quincy, delivered 29 Sept. 1839.

^{*} Another Elizabeth, b. 15 Oct. 1727.



- IV. Abraham, b. 25 July, 1728, died unmarried.
- V. Elizabeth,* b. 15 Oct. 1729, m. Samuel Sewall, 18 May, 1759, and d. Feb. 1770.
- VI. Dorothy, m. 4 Sept. 1775, at Fairfield, Conn., John Hancock, Governor of Massachusetts, and secondly, Capt. James Scott.
- VII. Esther, m. Judge Jonathan Sewall.
- VIII. Jacob, b. 2 Oct. 1734, a physician in Boston, m. Eloi Williams, and had:
 - i. Jacob, the father of Abraham H. Quincy.
 - ii. Elizabeth, who m. Asa Clapp.
 - iii. Samuel M.
 - iv. John, who had Mary, wife of James Kettell.
 - IX. Sarah, b. 2 Oct. 1736, m. William Greenleaf of Laucaster, 19 Dec. 1763, and d. 12 March, 1790.

Josiah Quincy, son of Edmund, was born, 1709, H. C. 1728, died 1784. He m. Jan. 11, 1733, Hannah, dau. of John Sturgis of Yarmouth, by whom, (who d. Aug. 9, 1755, aged 43,) he had:

- I. Edmund, b. Oct. 1733, H. C. 1752, m. Mehitable Temple, 9 June, 1765, died at sea, March 1768.
- II. Samuel, b. April 13, 1736, II. C. 1754, m. Hannah Hill, 16 June, 1761. Was Solicitor General and a refugee; died on passage from Tortola to England, 19 Aug. 1789. Had a son Samuel, a lawyer at Lenox, d. 19 Jan. 1816.
- III. Hannali, b. Sept. 11, 1738, who m. (1, Dr. B. Lincoln, 2, Ebenezer Storer.
- IV. Josiah, b. Feb. 23, 1744, H. C. 1763.

He m. 2, 1756, Elizabeth Waldron, and had Elizabeth, b. 1757, m. Benjamin Guild, Esq., 1785, and d. Aug. 1825. He m. 3d, 1760, Ann, dau. of Rev. J. Marsh, and had Ann, who m. Rev. A. Packard. His second wife died 1759; his third, 1805.

Josiah Quincy, the patriot, was b. Feb. 23, 1744, and m. Oct. 1769, Abigail, dau. of Hon. William Phillips. He died on his return voyage from England, April 26, 1775, and his widow died March 25, 1798, aged 54. He had issue:—

Josiah, b. Feb. 4, 1772, H. C. 1790. He m. June 6, 1797, Eliza Susan, dau. of John Morton, Esq., and had:



- I. Eliza Susan.
- II. Josiah, of whom presently.
- III. Abigail Phillips.
- IV. Maria Sophia.
- V. Margaret Morton, m. May, 1826, Benjamin D. Greene, Esq.
- VI. Edmund, b. Feb. 1, 1808, H. C. 1827, who m. Oct. 14, 1833, Lucilla P., dau. of Daniel P. Parker, Esq., and had:
 - i. Edmund, b. Aug. 11, 1834.
 - ii. John H., b. Sept. 26, 1836.
 - iii. Henry P., b. Oct. 27, 1838.
 - iv. Mary, b. April 23, 1841.
 - v. Morton, b. June 11, 1845; d. March 10, 1849.
 - vi. Arthur B., b. April 9, 1847; d. March 15, 1849.
- VII. Anna Cabot Lowell, m. March, 1840, Rev. Robert C. Waterston, and has:
 - i. Helen R., b. January 6, 1841.
 - ii. Robert, b. May, 1845; d. 1847.

He was a member of the House of Representatives from 1805 to 1813; Senator of Suffolk, 1815 to 1820; Speaker of the House, Judge of the Municipal Court, and Mayor of Boston, from 1823 to 1828. In the latter capacity he rendered himself forever dear to Bostonians by the numerous schemes of municipal improvement which he originated and executed,—as the Quincy Market, the constituting of a Fire Department, &c. He has also been President of Harvard College for sixteen years.

Josiah Quincy, son of the preceding, b. Jan. 26, 1802, H. C. 1821, m. Dec, 1827, Mary Jane, dau. of Samuel R. Miller, Esq. He is well known as an efficient Mayor of Boston. Children:—

- i. Josiah Phillips, b. 28 Nov. 1829.
- ii. Samuel Miller, b. 13 June, 1832.
- iii. Mary Apthorp, b. Aug. 1834.







